

Valley Resort Unveils Renovation

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After a dose of new finishes, fresh furnishings and technology enhancements, Carefree's renown The Boulders Resort has recently completed a renovation of its 160 luxe casitas.



The Boulders Resort, a several-time Best of Our Valley winner located in Carefree, has long been an escape for locals and out of towners wanting to relax, enjoy some golf, savor time in the on-site Golden Door Spa and take in the spirit of the Southwest. Now, guests can do so in style as the resort has completed a renovation of its 160 casitas, including new interior design and technological enhancements.

Those who have visited the resort before will immediately be impressed by the casitas' new contemporary look, which is described as modern interpretation of Southwestern design. The interiors now consist of the warm and welcoming colors of the desert, like soft browns and beiges. The Boulders even replaced its beehive-style fireplaces with a more contemporary stacked-stone variety. Other contemporary nods include cool, white leather desk chairs and stunning silver ceiling fans.

Most notably, the ceilings, with their gorgeous wood beams, have been white-washed, making the rooms much brighter and cheerier. It's a good thing the ceilings have been updated as guests will spend a lot of time looking upwards from the new bedding, including a supercomfy Serta Plus mattress, plush comforters and luxe sheets.

The Boulders bathrooms also received a facelift, most notably to the bath and shower areas which are now graced with high-end Kohler fixtures and subtle natural white stone.

Among the technological advances are the new 42-inch high-definition flat-screen televisions with HDMI high-definition multimedia interface that allows guests to plug in a laptop, iPod, iPhone, MP3 player, digital camera, DVD, CD and even an XBOX. New phones and alarm clocks make up the casitas' smaller, but just as important, enhancements.

Though The Boulders casitas now have a modern edge, the resort certainly didn't forgo its rugged Southwest spirit, thanks to vintage-looking leather arm chairs and regional artwork and artifacts that deck each casita. 480.488.9009, <http://www.theboulders.com/>.